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ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality

1. **Summary.** This Directive prescribes policy and responsibilities for protecting and enhancing environmental quality for United States European Command activities. It updates procedures, implements applicable federal statutes, executive orders, DoD regulations, and other legal requirements for the protection and enhancement of human health and the environment.

2. **Applicability.** This Directive applies to all USEUCOM forces. Operations and activities will be conducted in accordance with applicable treaties, agreements, commitments and national policy decisions.

3. **Internal Control Systems.** Internal Management Controls are applicable to this Directive. These controls shall focus on program performance and the economy and efficiency of operations. USEUCOM forces will comply with established Service guidelines.

4. **Suggested Improvements.**

Any recommendations, comments, or questions for improvements to this Directive shall be directed to HQ USEUCOM, Logistics and Security Assistance Directorate (ECJ4), Civil Engineering Branch (ECJ4-LIE), Unit 30400, APO AE 09128.

5. **References.**

- a. DoD Directive 4160.21-M, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Manual.
- b. DoD Directive 6050.16, DoD Policy for Establishing and Implementing Environmental Standards at Overseas Installations.
- c. DoD Directive 6050.7, Environmental Effects Abroad of Major Department of Defense Actions.
- d. DoD Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document.
- e. EUCOM Directive 56-9, European Command Relationship and U.S. Defense Representatives.

6. **Explanation of Terms.**

This Directive supersedes ED 61-6, 15 Jan 88

a. Environment. The air, water, land, cultural resources and all organisms living therein, and the interrelationships that exist among those. In the Department of Defense, environmental resources encompass restoration, compliance, natural and cultural resources stewardship, pollution prevention, occupational health, fire protection, pest management, and safety activities.

b. Environmental Enhancement. Actions taken to protect or improve the environment that go beyond sustainable compliance; e.g., certain aspects of pollution prevention and natural and cultural resources conservation activities, environmental research and development, and others.

c. Sustainable Compliance. Achieving and maintaining adherence to applicable executive orders, statutes, regulations, standards and procedures, regardless of program area or environmental media.

d. Final Governing Standard. Country-specific substantive provisions, typically technical limitations on effluent, discharges, etc., or a specific management practice, with which installations must comply.

7. Policies and Procedures.

USEUCOM Forces shall:

a. Demonstrate environmental leadership in all operations and activities in a manner consistent with DOD mission accomplishment and U.S. security interests to protect, conserve, and enhance the quality of the environment, and to prevent pollution or minimize adverse environmental consequences.

b. Comply with U.S. Federal and host nation environmental laws, executive orders, directives, regulations as applicable to overseas areas as compiled in the final governing standards (FGS) developed for each country.

c. Use, store, handle, and ultimately dispose of all hazardous materials to minimize the possibilities for pollution of the environment.

d. Ensure hazardous wastes are properly disposed of through or with the concurrence of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Region-Europe and Executive Agent in accordance with applicable FGS for each country.

e. Respect and protect historic and cultural sites, structures, objects, paleontological and archeological areas, as well as nature parks, preserves, or portions thereof.

f. Cooperate in beneficial community environmental action programs and encourage the establishment of volunteer environmental enhancement programs with appropriate logistical support.

g. Establish a public relations program within the host nations to highlight the positive effects of the foregoing efforts.

h. Comply with the policy and procedures for contaminated sites as outlined in Appendix B.

i. Monitor and evaluate all activities on a routine basis necessary to ensure compliance with applicable environmental quality standards.

j. Incorporate environmental protection, prevention, and pollution abatement measures in projects for rehabilitation or modification of existing structures, new construction, and in training, contingency plans, operations and exercises.

k. Conserve resources and dispose of waste materials by reprocessing, recycling, and reuse.

l. To ensure uniform standards and a coordinated U.S. position with respect to each nation's environmental laws and regulations, any non-routine contact with host nations concerning environmental activity must be coordinated with the designated Executive Agent with information copies to HQ USEUCOM.

8. **Responsibilities.**

a. USCINCEUR shall:

(1) Implement and oversee provisions of DOD directives concerning protection and enhancement of environmental quality for unified command directed activities.

(2) Designate on a case-by-case basis a component for environmental quality matters in exercises and operations.

(3) Coordinate with the designated environmental Executive Agent for each host nation in accordance with DoD Directive 6050.16.

(4) Sponsor periodic environmental conference to promote coordination between component commanders in environmental matters.

(5) Establish an Environmental Executive Agent Steering Committee consisting of representatives from the service component commands, DLA, and other representatives as appropriate.

b. Service Components shall:

(1) Comply with environmental final governing standards as established by the applicable Executive Agent. In geographic areas for which another component is designated as Executive Agent, coordinate all non-routine actions with the host nation government concerning environmental protection and enhancement with the designated Executive Agent.

(2) Prepare environmental documentation as prescribed by Service department regulation when designated as primary component on a unified command directed exercise or operation. The document will then be forwarded through HQ USEUCOM to JCS in accordance with DoD directives.

(3) Comply with area responsibilities of designated Executive Agent for environmental matters as outlined in Appendix A.

(4) Plan, program, and budget resources to satisfy program needs; establish program policies and goals; monitor compliance activities; and

implement environmental enhancement programs and activities. Provide HQ USEUCOM/ECJ4-LIE with reports, at least quarterly, on status of environmental programs and initiatives. Additionally, report any significant environmental items which would have significant and immediate theater-wide interest.

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Appendix A

Environmental Executive Agents

1. Purpose. To identify designated Executive Agents (EAs), and to prescribe policies and responsibilities for environmental matters for each geographic area of responsibility.

2. Host Nation Environmental Executive Agents:

- a. Department of the Army: Belgium, Germany, and the Netherlands.
- b. Department of the Navy: Greece Italy, and Spain.
- c. Department of the Air Force: Portugal, Turkey, and the United Kingdom.
- d. USEUCOM is responsible for overseeing appropriate compliance with Executive Order 12088 and Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document in those countries where Executive Agents have not been designated.

3. Policies and Procedures.

- a. HQ USEUCOM shall:
 - (1) Oversee the implementation of DoD Directive 6050.16;
 - (2) Direct component commands to implement and comply with final governing standards (FGS), as established by the appropriate EA;
 - (3) Establish and serve as chairperson of an Executive Agent Steering Committee for developing and implementing the FGS for each country within USEUCOM area of responsibility;
 - (4) Ensure component commands implement and conduct a follow-on audit process;
 - (5) Resolve disputes between components and the appropriate EA during the development and implementation of the FGS;
 - (6) Facilitate resolution during request for waivers and deviations of the FGS;
 - (7) Ensure periodic review of FGS by appropriate Executive Agents;
 - (8) Facilitate information exchange among Executive Agents; and

(9) Advocate environmental policy requirements related to DoD Directive 6050.16, including but not limited to:

(a) Resource/funding requirements.

(b) Revisions to the Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document.

b. Executive Agents shall:

(1) Implement the provisions of DoD Directive 6050.16.

(2) Develop a viable plan for the implementation and issuance of the FGS. Executive Agents must establish the effective date for the final governing standards

(3) Designate a primary and alternate Point of Contact (POC) for Executive Agent responsibilities.

(4) Establish procedures to address waivers and disputes among DoD components.

(5) Provide country-specific guidelines for addressing compliance issues with Host Nation officials in consultation with U.S. Diplomatic Mission.

(6) Interpret and re-validate the FGS annually.

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Appendix B

Contaminated Sites

1. Policy. Each component will develop and conduct a program of risk assessment, prioritization, and remedial action at their installations to reduce threats to human health and protect environmental quality.

2. Program.

a. Scope: This policy applies to installations that will remain open beyond FY97.

b. Host Nation considerations: For each host nation, the HQ USEUCOM service component with the area of responsibility will provide guidance for U.S. Forces in that nation to use in implementing this policy. When preparing this guidance, this military component should coordinate with the U.S. Diplomatic Mission and assess the following:

(1) Generally accepted environmental standards applied to CONUS installations.

(2) Host nation environmental policies and substantive standards generally in effect and enforced.

(3) Status of forces agreements, and relevant bilateral and multinational agreements.

c. Elements: The program for each host nation must include requirements for U.S. Forces to:

(1) Assess each installation, using a discovery process to produce a list of potential contaminated sites.

(2) Investigate each site, determine the risks associated with each site, determine the costs to remedy each site, and prioritize each site.

(3) For each site, conduct remedial action as appropriate, taking into account the extent of responsibility of U.S. Forces for the contamination and its remediation, assessment of risk to human health and to the environment, and the availability of funding.

(4) Investigate and remedy imminent threats to human health and safety when they are discovered.

3. Funding: Components are responsible for planning, programming, and budgeting of funds to execute program.

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4. Implementation: Pending receipt of a DoD Restoration policy, which is under development, this policy is effective upon issuance. Nothing on this policy is intended to create rights or obligations enforceable against the DoD under the Administrative Procedures Act, the Military claims Act, United States pollution control statutes and regulations, or similar statutes and regulations.

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APPENDIX C

FINAL GOVERNING STANDARDS FOR GERMANY

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